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## OUTSTANDING DEP EMPLOYEE of the YEAR - 2010

Billy Hill was nominated by his branch as an outstanding representative of the Department for Environmental Protection (DEP).

Tony Hatton and Tim Hubbard, director and assistant director respectively of the Division of Waste Management, presented Billy with a plaque in honor of his contributions to his section, branch, division and department.

Bruce Scott, Commissioner for DEP, read a list of Billy's initiatives and accomplishments; including: reviewed, analyzed, developed a draft narrative and compiled the counties' 2010 annual reports for the 'Statewide Solid Waste Management Report – 2010 Update', calculated litter disbursement dollars based on road miles, updated the branch's website, in addition to his "regular" job duties.

There were other accomplishments listed, but one of the most important is his willingness to share his knowledge of the various programs and his unique ability to garner a laugh with his quick wit and humor! Thank you, Billy, we are fortunate to have you as a fellow employee!

## TRAINING SET TO UPDATE 5-YEAR AREA SOLID WASTE MANAGE- MENT PLAN 2013-2017

The first of four meetings to assist counties with the writing of the 5-year update is planned for:

**Feb. 7,** Frankfort,  
300 Fair Oaks,  
Room 301D, 9 to 3 EST  
Recycling and Local  
Assistance Branch  
502-564-6716

**Feb.15,** Pennyriple ADD  
office, 300 Hammond  
Drive, Hopkinsville  
10 to 4 CST  
270-886-9484  
<http://www.kcadd.org/>

[District Contacts.html](#)  
The Pennyriple meeting  
will begin at **10 to 4  
CST** (11 to 5 EST).

**Feb. 22,** Natural Bridge  
State Park,  
2135 Natural Bridge  
Rd., Slade  
9 to 3 EST  
800-325-1710  
[http://parks.ky.gov/  
parks/resortparks/  
natural-bridge/  
default.aspx](http://parks.ky.gov/parks/resortparks/natural-bridge/default.aspx)

**Feb.29,** Frankfort  
300 Fair Oaks,  
Room 301D  
9 to 3 EST  
Recycling and Local  
Assistance Branch  
502-564-6716

In the event of inclement weather, please contact the facility with the phone numbers provided.

**RSVP:** Contact  
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ky.gov](mailto:Melinda.Meredith@ky.gov). Please remember  
to state the date,  
facility name and the  
number of attendees  
from your county. You

may also contact your Local Assistance Staff to RSVP.

County judges, magistrates, and commissioners will earn 4.5 hours training through the Department for Local Government. The training is free and lunch and refreshments are on your own. Check out the link below for hints on some great places to eat if you attend one of the sessions in Frankfort: <http://www.visitfrankfort.com/Wheretoeat.aspx>

The training will be of most benefit if your county attendee **brings a copy of the current 2008-2012 SWMP**. If you do not have a copy of the SWMP, call or email your LAS staff contact.

Space may be limited due to the size of the ADD conference rooms.

### **SOLID WASTE PLANNING AND RECYCLING WORKSHOP, MAY 17 & 18 LAKE CUMBERLAND STATE RESORT PARK**

Mark your calendars for Thursday and Friday, May 17 & 18 for our annual workshop. Call for reservations at:  
**Ph: 270-343-3111**  
**Toll Free: 800-325-1709**

or check online at <http://parks.ky.gov/parks/resortparks/lake-cumbeland/default.aspx> Remember to mention the workshop to receive the reduced rate. Don't forget - bring your state tax exemption as proof of county employment.

Topics we'll address include the state update and frequently asked questions about the 5-year update of the Solid Waste Management Plan. The 5-year update is due in our office on Oct. 1, 2012. If you have any subjects you would be interested in presenting or discussing at the workshop, please let us know as soon as possible.

An agenda will be forthcoming closer to the date of the workshop.

### **ANNUAL REPORT DUE MARCH 1**

The Solid Waste Annual Report is due March 1. Please call you Local Assistance staff contact if you have any questions. The form can be found at: <http://dep.ky.gov/forms/library/Documents/DEP6061.doc>

The county generated report is compiled into a statewide report that

is published on our website. The report is also submitted to the Legislative Research Commission and legislators to account for the many funded programs the counties receive.

### **COMMONWEALTH CLEANUP WEEK March 17-24**

This year's Commonwealth Cleanup Week (CCW) is a special one. KET approached Deborah Conway, supervisor for the Local Assistance Section, about participating in the 14<sup>th</sup> year of the event.

Dave Shuffett, of KET's [Kentucky Life](#) program, will focus on cleanups across the state. He is well known for his ability to dig into all his projects and is encouraging everyone to participate in a "Kentucky Does It" adventure to make our streams, rivers, highways, and communities cleaner.

View his message at: <http://www.ket.org/kentuckylife/commonwealthcleanup/> Civic, religious and non-profit groups that coordinate with their county solid waste coordinator or county-judge/executive earn the opportunity for one of six \$100 cash prizes drawn randomly.

Read more about CCW, how to promote the event and encourage participation at <http://waste.ky.gov/RLA/Pages/CCW.aspx>

### **ANNOUNCEMENT 2012 Coca-Cola/Keep America Beautiful Bin Grant Program**

It's not often we are able to bring such good news to our counties. Coca-Cola and Keep America Beautiful (KAB) are teaming up once again to allow eligible recipients to apply for grant funds to purchase recycling bins for the collection of recyclable beverage containers.

The Kentucky Pride Fund recycling grant fund, now in its 5<sup>th</sup> year, has increased recycling across the state.

Oftentimes, because of the increased requests and limited funds, the KY Pride Fund is not able to fund bins to use in parks, buildings, or streetscapes. This is your opportunity to make this need for your community come true!

Please read carefully and click the link on page 3 to learn more about this program. If you receive a grant

from the 2012 Coca-Cola/KAB Recycling Bin Grant Program, please let us know so we can follow your progress!

The 2012 Coca-Cola/KAB Recycling Bin Grant Program, funded through grants from The Coca-Cola Foundation, supports local communities, college and university recycling programs by providing bins to selected grant recipients for the collection of recyclable beverage containers.

Grants will be provided to a limited number of applicants who can demonstrate how their proposals will lead to sustainable recycling opportunities.

This year the bin grant program is broken up into two categories:

**Public Space Bin Grants** - open to non-profit organizations, government agencies, schools and religious organizations.

**Collegiate Bin Grants** - open to degree granting colleges and universities.

The deadline to apply is March 2! To learn

more and apply online, please visit: <http://bingrant.org>. Successful applicants will be notified by Keep America Beautiful on or before April 22 to offer guidance, confirm their needs and solidify bin selection. Suppliers will deliver bins directly to the recipients throughout the summer.

For more information on the Coca-Cola Public Space bin grant program and application process, contact: Kelley Dennings Keep America Beautiful, [kdennings@kab.org](mailto:kdennings@kab.org), 202-688-0605

### KAB/LOWE'S ANNOUNCEMENT

We received a press release announcing a new partnership between Lowe's and KAB.

The purpose of the grant is to "support grassroots community improvement projects ranging from community gardens and tree plantings to litter and debris cleanups, recycling programs, park and playground restorations and beautification efforts."

KAB will directly solicit its affiliates for grant applications beginning in February.

The grant encourages KAB affiliates to engage with their local Lowe's Heroes program, a company-wide volunteer initiative that offers Lowe's employees the opportunity to work on projects in their own neighborhood and furthers the program's mission of making our communities better places to live, work and play.

"Lowe's is committed to protecting the environment through our conservation practices, products we offer, consumer education and partnerships we enter into," said Michael Chenard, Lowe's Director of Corporate Sustainability. "That's why our partnership with Keep America Beautiful is a natural fit. Just like KAB, we continue to build on a history of leadership as we promote environmental conservation."

### About Lowe's

Lowe's supports the communities it serves through programs that focus on K-12 public education and community improvement projects. The company's signature education grant program, [Lowe's Toolbox for Education](#), has donated nearly \$5

million in grants to K-12 public schools every year since its inception in 2006. [Lowe's Heroes](#) employee volunteers support local community projects and our national nonprofit partners such as [Habitat for Humanity](#) and the [American Red Cross](#). In 2010, Lowe's and the [Lowe's Charitable and Educational Foundation](#) together contributed more than \$30 million to support communities in the United States, Canada and Mexico. To learn more, visit [Lowes.com/SocialResponsibility](http://Lowes.com/SocialResponsibility).

### About KAB

Keep America Beautiful, Inc., established in 1953, is the nation's largest volunteer-based community action and education organization. With a network of nearly 1,200 affiliate and participating organizations, [Keep America Beautiful](#) forms public-private partnerships and programs that engage individuals to take greater responsibility for improving their community environments. For additional information, visit [www.kab.org](http://www.kab.org).

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Lowe's Companies,  
Inc., Stacey Lentz,  
704- 758-2173 [stacey.c.lentz@lowes.com](mailto:stacey.c.lentz@lowes.com)  
We hope you will take  
advantage of the grant  
opportunities to im-  
prove your communi-  
ties.

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

The next two pages  
outline the timelines  
for submission of  
grants, reports and  
other important hap-  
penings that affect the  
counties.

Additionally, the new  
solid waste coordinator  
phone list is attached.

## THIS JUST IN!!!

## SWaCK MEETING SCHEDULED FOR CUMBERLAND FALLS STATE RESORT PARK APRIL 5th and 6th

A block of rooms is  
reserved with the park;  
call 1-800-325-0063 or  
go online at  
<http://parks.ky.gov/parks/resortparks/cumberland-falls/default.aspx>  
to make your reserva-  
tions. Remember to  
mention you are with  
the SWaCK workshop.

Contact Chris Tho-  
mason at 859-339-3233  
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[scott.tussey@madisoncountyky.us](mailto:scott.tussey@madisoncountyky.us) to add your  
name to the list of at-  
tendants.

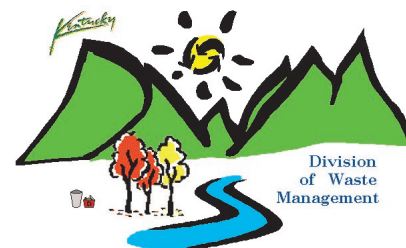
## IMPORTANT COUNTY SWM TIMELINES - 2012

FEBRUARY 2012						
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			<b>1<sup>st</sup></b> Litter Report Forms 8061 and 0059, FROM CITIES is DUE to the cabinet			
		<b>7<sup>th</sup></b> 5 Yr. Update Frankfort, 300 Fair Oaks, Rm. 301D, 9 to 3 EST <i>Recycling and Local            Assistance Branch</i> 502-564-6716	<b>8<sup>th</sup></b> <b>NOTE:</b> <b>5-YR. Update for SWMP training            meetings will be held at the loca-            tions identified on the 7<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup>            and 29<sup>th</sup> of February.</b>			
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			<b>29<sup>th</sup></b> 5 Yr. Update Frankfort 300 Fair Oaks, Room 301D 9 to 3 EST Recycling and Local Assistance Branch 502-564-6716			

MARCH 2012						
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				<b>1<sup>st</sup></b> Solid Waste Management Area <u>Annual Report DUE</u>  <b>County Litter Reports (Forms 8061 and 0059) are due with the Annual Report.</b>	<b>LITTER REPORT FORMS 8061 and 0059 FOR Cities</b> should report directly to the cabinet by Feb. 1 annually; although it is fine if their information is included in the Annual Report.	
APRIL 2012						
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<b>1<sup>st</sup></b> <b>Recycling &amp; Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Management Grant Application DUE</b>  <b>Crumb Rubber Grant Awards Recipients</b> will be notified by email before April 1.	<b>2<sup>nd</sup></b> <b>Recycling &amp; HHW Grant Applications</b> will be accepted <i>no later than 4:30 PM, EST, Monday, April 2<sup>nd</sup> at the 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor reception desk, 200 Fair Oaks Lane, Frankfort, KY 40601 502-564-6716</i>					
<b>15<sup>th</sup></b> <b>Unspent Litter Funds DUE</b>	<b>16<sup>th</sup></b> <b>Unspent Litter Funds—to be counted as received on the due date,</b> will be accepted <i>no later than 4:30 PM, EST, Monday, April 16<sup>th</sup> at the 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor reception desk, 200 Fair Oaks Lane, Frankfort, KY 40601</i>					
MAY 2012						
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
JUNE 2012						
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
						<b>30<sup>th</sup></b> <b>Recycling and HHW Grants awarded by this date.</b>

JULY 2012						
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 <sup>st</sup> Recycling and HHW Grant Recipients may begin spending grant funds for the 2012-2013 funding year.						





### Our Mission

The Recycling and Local Assistance Branch (RLA) provides continuous technical assistance and training to public and private entities on solid waste issues and regulatory requirements and promotes individual responsibility and accountability for proper solid waste management.

Kentucky has a solid waste law commonly referred to as HB 174. The law establishes priorities for proper solid waste management in Kentucky through waste reduction, recycling, proper closure of abandoned landfills, education, proper collection and disposal of solid waste, elimination of illegal open dumps and abatement of litter.



### Recycling and Local Assistance Branch

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